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- (a) at least one oxidation base chosen from 4-amino-3-methylphenol, 4-amino-3-fluorophenol, 4-amino-3-hydroxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-fluorophenol, and an addition salt thereof with an acid; and
- (b) a coupler chosen from 1,3-bis(β-hydroxyethyl) amino-2-methylbenzene and an addition salt thereof with an acid;

wherein said composition does not include an oxidation base chosen from pyrimidine, pyrimidine derivatives, 2-β-hydroxyethyl-para-phenylenediamine, an addition salt thereof with an acid, and 1-(5-amino-2-hydroxyphenyl)ethane-1,2-diol.

- 13. (Twice Amended) A process for dyeing keratin fibres comprising the steps of 1) applying to said fibers at least one dye composition, and 2) developing a color at acidic, neutral or alkaline pH with the aid of an oxidizing agent which is added to the dye composition only at the time of use, or which is present in an oxidizing composition that is applied simultaneously with the dye composition or sequentially after application of the dye composition, said at least one dye composition comprising, in a medium which is suitable for dyeing:
- (a) at least one oxidation base chosen from 4-amino-3-methylphenol, 4-amino-3-fluorophenol, 4-amino-3-hydroxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-fluorophenol, and an addition salt thereof with an acid; and

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wherein said composition does not include an oxidation base chosen from pyrimidine, pyrimidine derivatives, 2-β-hydroxyethyl-para-phenylenediamine, an addition salt thereof with an acid, and 1-(5-amino-2-hydroxyphenyl)ethane-1,2-diol.

- 18. (Twice Amended) A multi-compartment dyeing kit comprising a first compartment that contains a dye composition for the oxidation dyeing of keratin fibres comprising, in a medium which is suitable for dyeing:
- (a) at least one oxidation base chosen from 4-amino-3-methylphenol, 4-amino-3-fluorophenol, 4-amino-3-hydroxymethylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-methylphenol, 4-amino-2-aminomethylphenol, 4-amino-2-fluorophenol, and an addition salt thereof with an acid; and
- (b) a coupler chosen from 1,3-bis(β-hydroxyethyl) amino-2-methylbenzene and the addition salts thereof with an acid;

wherein said composition does not include an oxidation base chosen from pyrimidine, pyrimidine derivatives, 2-β-hydroxyethyl-para-phenylenediamine, an addition salt thereof with an acid, and 1-(5-amino-2-hydroxyphenyl)ethane-1,2-diol, and a second compartment that contains an oxidizing composition.

REMARKS

I. Status of the Claims

By this Amendment, claim 4 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 1, 13, and 18 have been amended to include the provisions of canceled

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